IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): SUZUKI

Atty. Dkt.: 01-525

Serial No.: Unknown

Group Art Unit:

Filed: Concurrently herewith

Examiner:

Title: OPERATION EQUIPMENT FOR

VEHICLE

Commissioner for Patents Arlington, VA 22202

Date: February 9, 2004

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the reference(s) listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is/are submitted for consideration by the Examiner without any admission that it/they constitute(s) statutory prior art, or without any admission that it/they contain(s) subject matter that anticipates the invention or renders the invention obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

The Examiner is requested to initial the attached PTO Form-1449 and to return a copy of same to the undersigned attorney as proof that the listed reference(s) has/have been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

David G. Posz Reg. No. 37,701

Posz & Bethards, PLC 11250 Roger Bacon Drive, Suite 10 Reston, VA 20190 (703)707-9110 (phone) Customer No. 23400

* PATENT APPLICATION

Page 1 of 1

FORM PTO-1449	ATTY. DKT NO.	01-525	SER. NO.
	APPLICANT	SUZUKI	
	FILING DATE	February 9, 2004	GROUP

REFERENCE DESIGNATION

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

TRANSLATION

	TRANSL			110111012111	THON		
DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	YES	NO
JP-A-H09-292261 (Discussed in page 2 of the spec.)	11/11/97	JAPAN				X (Abstract)	
JP-A-2000-329577	11/30/00	JAPAN				X (Abstract)	
JP-A-H11-312053	11/9/99	JAPAN				X (Abstract)	

* Full English text is available in machine-translated form in JPO (Japanese Patent Office) English language web site at http://www1.ipdl.jpo.go.jp/PA1/cgi-bin/PA1INDEX.

OTHER REFERENCES (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

EXAMINER	1.		DATE CONSIDERED		

Rev. 10/94 (Form 3.05)